

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1                    1.     A method, comprising:  
2                    receiving a message having an associated token, wherein the token is  
3 associated with a subject;  
4                    obtaining a first claim from the token, wherein the claim comprises a  
5 statement about the subject; and  
6                    selectively mapping the first claim to a second claim.
- 1                    2.     The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining another claim  
2 from the token.
- 1                    3.     The method of claim 1, further comprising rejecting the message as  
2 a function of the first claim.
- 1                    4.     The method of claim 1, further comprising rejecting the message as  
2 a function of the second claim.
- 1                    5.     The method of claim 1, further comprising forming a claim  
2 collection that includes the first and second claims.
- 1                    6.     The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining a resource  
2 identifier from the message.

1                    7.     The method of claim 6, wherein obtaining the resource from the  
2 message comprises applying an XPath expression.

1                    8.     The method of claim 6, wherein the resource identifier comprises a  
2 property of the message.

1                    9.     The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining a resource  
2 identifier from a computing system performing the method.

1                    10.    The method of claim 9, wherein the resource identifier comprises a  
2 property of the computing system's runtime environment.

1                    11.    The method of claim 9, wherein a resource corresponding to the  
2 resource identifier is stored by the computing system.

1                    12.    The method of claim 1, further comprising sending a return message  
2 to a sender of the message, wherein the return message includes information regarding  
3 the second claim.

1                    13.    The method of claim 12, wherein the information regarding the  
2 second claim comprises the second claim.

1                    14.    The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining a third claim  
2 from the first claim.

1                    15.    The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining a third claim  
2    from the second claim.

1                    16.    The method of claim 1, further comprising selectively rejecting the  
2    first claim.

1                    17.    The method of claim 1, wherein the token is received out-of-band  
2    from the message.

1                    18.    The method of claim 1, further comprising sending the message, the  
2    token and a second token to another entity, wherein the second token includes  
3    information related to the second claim.

1                    19.    A machine readable medium having instructions for performing the  
2    method of claim 1.

1                    20.    A system comprising:  
2                    a first module to obtaining a first claim from a token associated with a  
3    message, wherein the message has an associated subject and the claim comprises a  
4    statement related to the subject; and  
5                    a second module to selectively map the first claim to a second claim.

1                    21.    The system of claim 20 further comprising a third module to  
2    determine as a function of the first claim whether the message is to be rejected.

1                   22.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a third module to  
2   determine as a function of the second claim whether the message is to be rejected.

1                   23.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a module to form a claim  
2   collection that includes the first and second claims.

1                   24.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a module to selectively  
2   obtain a resource identifier from the message.

1                   25.    The system of claim 24, wherein the module to obtain the resource  
2   identifier from the message is to selectively apply an XPath expression to obtain the  
3   resource identifier.

1                   26.    The system of claim 24, wherein the resource identifier comprises a  
2   property of the message.

1                   27.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a module to selectively  
2   obtain a resource identifier from a computing system in which the first and second  
3   modules reside.

1                   28.    The system of claim 27, wherein the resource identifier comprises a  
2   property of the computing system's runtime environment.

1                    29.    The method of claim 27, wherein a resource corresponding to the  
2    resource identifier is stored by the computing system.

1                    30.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a module to selectively  
2    send a return message to a sender of the message, wherein the return message includes  
3    information regarding the second claim.

1                    31.    The system of claim 30, wherein the information regarding the  
2    second claim comprises the second claim.

1                    32.    The system of claim 20, wherein the second module is to selectively  
2    obtain a third claim from the first claim.

1                    33.    The system of claim 20, wherein the second module is to selectively  
2    obtain a third claim from the second claim.

1                    34.    The system of claim 20, wherein the second module is to selectively  
2    reject the first claim.

1                    35.    The system of claim 20, wherein the first module is to receive the  
2    token out-of-band from the message.

1                    36.    The system of claim 20, further comprising a module to send the  
2    message, the token and a second token to another entity, wherein the second token  
3    includes information related to the second claim.

1                    37.    A machine readable medium having the modules recited in claim 20.

1                    38.    A machine-readable medium having components, comprising:  
2                    means for receiving a message having an associated token, wherein the  
3    token is associated with a subject;  
4                    means for obtaining a first claim from the token, wherein the claim  
5    comprises a statement about the subject; and  
6                    means for selectively mapping the first claim to a second claim.

1                    39.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2    means for rejecting the message as a function of the first claim.

1                    40.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2    means for rejecting the message as a function of the second claim.

1                    41.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2    means for obtaining a resource identifier from the message.

1                   42.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for obtaining a resource from a computing system reading the machine-readable  
3   medium.

1                   43.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for sending a return message to a sender of the message, wherein the return  
3   message includes information regarding the second claim.

1                   44.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for obtaining a third claim from the first claim.

1                   45.    The machine-readable medium of claim 44, further comprising  
2   means for rejecting the message as a function of the third claim.

1                   46.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for obtaining a third claim from the second claim.

1                   47.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for selectively rejecting the first claim.

1                   48.    The machine-readable medium of claim 38, further comprising  
2   means for sending the message, the token and a second token to another entity, wherein  
3   the second token includes information related to the second claim.